A Homegoing Celebration
for

Mr. Asbery Ficklin, Sr.

Sunrise
November 21, 1908
Morton, Mississippi

Sunset
July 15, 1998
Richmond, California



Service Held
Tuesday, July 21, 1998- 10:30 A.M.

MCGLOTHEN TEMPLE C.O.G.I.C.
1443 Filbert Street
Richmond, California
Officiating
Administrative Assistant, John A. Jennings, Pastor

OBITUARY

Asbery Ficklin, Sr. was born in Morton, Mississippi on November 21, 1908 to his parents, David Henry Ficklin and Mary McClendon Ficklin. He attended school in Morton, Mississippi.

Asbery confessed Christ at an early age uniting with Good Hope Baptist CHurch, Leake County, Miss., where he was baptized.

He later met and married Leona Black in Lena, Miss., in 1928. After they moved to Jackson, Miss., they became active members of Morning Star Baptist Church. To this blessed union of 30 years were born four sons: Herman, Earl, Lanier and Asbery, Jr. After Leona's death, he later married Matilda Scales and accepted her daughter, Claudette as his own. They were blessed with 38 years together in their home and at McGlothen Temple.

It was in 1952 that Deacon Ficklin united with McGlothen under the guidance of Bishop McGlothen, continuing under Bishop Davis and Pastor Jennings. During these years he served faithfully with the usher board, deacon board, trustee board and he was diligent in his Bible Study. Deacon Ficklin was a compassionate church servant. He loved his church, his family and he had a passion for helping the sick and shut-in. He also enjoyed providing transportation for those who needed it.

His work ethic was profound. During his employment years in Jackson, Mississippi, New Orleans, Louisiana and Richmond, he was always recognized for his attendance and performance. His last fifteen years were spent at Pacific Coast Builders in San Francisco.

Deacon Ficklin was a mild-mannered Christian man of varied talents, boundless energy and possessed the remarkable gift of exhibiting sensitivity to the needs of his church.

He went quietly home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, July 15th. he was preceded in death by both wives and his third son, Lanier.

This saint leaves to cherish his sweet memories and rejoice in his homegoing, three devoted sons, Herman of Newark, California, Earl of Suisun, Asbery, Jr., of El Cerrito, devoted daughter Claudette Gallon of Richmond, one brother, Alex Ficklin of Morton, Mississippi, one sister, Luberta McDonald of Detroit, Michigan; two daughter's-in-law, Jean of Newark, Paulette of El Cerrito, a devoted niece Annie Van Hook of Fairfield; thirteen grandchildren; eight great-great grandchildren, a multitude of other nieces, nephews, godchildren, cousins, friends and his beloved McGlothen family.

My Journey To The Sky
There is only one thing I long for,
When I reach my home on high,
To see my Jesus in His glory and to reign with Him on high.
I'll be so glad to see my mother
Who has gone on to that land.
But I long to see my Jesus and
by His side to stand.

Order of Service

Master of Ceremony .....Elder Jesse Le Gree

Processional.....

Prayer.....Elder Frank Mitchell

Scripture Reading .....

Old Testament.....Elder Samuel Butler

New Testament .....Minister Ronald Huey

Musical Selection .....

Expressions (2 minutes) .....Family and Friends
State Usher Board, Representative
Local Usher Board, Sister S. Craft
Church Mother, Mother W.M. Johnson
District Missionary Emeritus, Mother E. B. Graves
Chairman Deacon Board, Bro. Rufus Robinson

Family Tribute .....(Solo) Rashida Adams

Expressions.....Ministers, Elders, Pastors

Musical Selection .....

Acknowledgements .....Miss'y Emma Clark

Resolutions.....

Local.....Miss'y Emma Clark

District.....Mother V. Williams

State.....

Obituary .....Miss'y Emma Clark

Sermonic Solo.....Evang. M. Willard

Eulogy.....

Parting View .....Rose Manor Staff

Recessional .....

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Rufus Robinson
Louis Daniel
John Drayden

John Walker
Felix Ashley
Clarence Stafford

Anthony Hayes

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Bill Thurston
Claudell Stevens
Charles McPherson

James Earl Ficklin
R.H. Adams
Deacon Board-McGlothen Temple



Acknowledgement

With grateful hearts, we wish to convey our sincere appreciation for all that you have done and especially during the year of our loved one's widowerhood. We are truly blessed that you embraced our family with Christian love. May God bless and keep you!

Herman, Earl, Asbery, Jr., Claudette and Family

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Rose Manor Funeral Service

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